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#### NOTICE

Office of the Second Assistant Postmaster General, Division of Foreign Mails.

To the Postmaster, Honolulu, Hawaii:

Relative to the agreement recently concluded between the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Ireland and the United States providing for a reduction in the letter rate of postage between the two countries, I have to inform you that it has been determined that the term "United States" in the agreement in question embraces only the States themselves and the Territories, including Alaska, on the continent of North America, and does not embrace Hawaii, Porto Rico, and other possessions of the United States.

JOSEPH STEWART,

Second Assistant Postmaster General.

October 7, 1908.

According to the ruling of the Postoffice Department, Hawaii is not a part of the United States. The foregoing letter is a delayed response to a request made by Postmaster Pratt for a ruling under the recent postal agreement between Great Britain and the United States. Mr. Pratt has been proceeding on the theory that these islands being a Territory of the United States were a part of it. The Postmaster General or the "Government" appears to think otherwise. The subject is one that will probably be taken up by the public organization of the city.

### Contest Hangs On Meaning of "Any"

What is or are the election district or districts of Oahu? Is there only one "election" district? What is the meaning to be placed upon the word "any" in Section 41 of the Election Laws of Hawaii?

These were among the important questions which were argued and debated by the lawyers in the matter of the demurrer filed to the contest of James Kuli, et al., versus J. J. Fern before the Supreme Court all morning. E. M. Watson and Wade Warren Thayer supported the demurrer should be overruled. The main feature of the debate came from Watson at the start-off when he stated to the Court that the demurrer to the contest should be sustained primarily on the ground that the thirty "duly qualified voters" who had signed the petition were not from one particular election district, being, on the contrary, from both the Fourth and Fifth Representative Districts, which practically means, according to his contention, from both election districts.

Later on in his argument Watson stated that he contended that there were three separate and distinct divisions in the matter of districts—first, the Senatorial district, which

embraced the whole island; second, the two Representative districts; and third, the election districts. The election laws of the Territory state "Any candidate directly interested, or any thirty duly qualified voters of any election district, may file a petition" for the purpose of contesting an election. The whole matter this morning seemingly hinged on the exact meaning of the word "any" before "election district" in the foregoing quotation from the election laws.

Watson contended that "any" meant "one particular" district. Arguing on a different phase of the demurrer to the contest, Thayer made the statement that it would be possible for thirty duly qualified voters on Kaula to contest the election of an officer on Hawaii. This was a matter to be decided by the Court, however, or, rather, it appeared to sit down to a question of the jurisdiction of the court.

A. G. M. Robertson spoke at length, following George A. Davis, in answer to the arguments advanced by Watson and Thayer.

The main point at issue lies in the question as to what kind of election districts is meant. If Watson is sustained in his fight that the election laws refer to the two Representative districts when speaking of "election" districts, it will practically mean that through a technicality the contest will not be allowed. The Republicans maintain, of course, that, as the voters from the whole Senatorial district voted for Mayor, so should the voters from the whole Senatorial district be considered in the petition for recount.

Upon convening of the court this morning it made the following announcement: "A rule of Court will be made that in election contests the Court will set the case for hearing upon the defendant's filing his demurrer, plea, or answer which he will be at liberty to do at any time before the return day; that no replication or joinder in demurrer will be filed."

The Court before hearing the demurrer made the following order: "It is ordered upon the Court's motion that the plaintiff's affidavits be struck from the files together with the defendant's motion to strike them off and the plaintiff's joinder in demurrer and motion to set the case for hearing."

### TAFT and CONGRESSMEN AGREE to SUGAR SCHEDULE

WASHINGTON, Dec. 11.—President-elect Taft and the Republican members of the Ways and Means Committee have reached an agreement by which the Philippines will be given free trade with the Mainland. The Democratic members concur in this program.

The sugar interests have indicated that they are willing to accept a compromise restricting the amount of sugar admitted free to 300,000 tons annually. All in excess of this amount should, they claim, pay the present duty. The beet sugar men are now conferring with the Committee. Free tobacco will be restricted.

### Harbor Light Comes On Steamer Lurline

Soon the light will be shining in the tower of the new lighthouse which has just been completed on the bar in the harbor. The Lurline today brought the lamp, lenses, machinery, and other equipment necessary, and the beacon tower will be placed in commission immediately. The equipment brought on the Lurline is considerably more complicated than the sort that used to be installed in lighthouses. The harbor light is considered one of the most important in the entire group and an equipment of what is known as the "first order" has been provided. It required numerous large parcels to pack the lamp and machinery, and the total outfit weighs a number of tons. The lenses are made of the highest grade of optical glass, and have to be packed and handled with as great care as do the lenses of telescopes. The lamp and machinery will probably be turned over to the Government officers this afternoon. Just as soon as it is received it will probably be installed, as mariners are anxious to have the harbor light in operation at the earliest possible moment. The Lurline also brought a second lighthouse equipment for use in the islands.



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#### FREAR TALKS LAND

WASHINGTON, D. C., Dec. 11.—Governor Frear of Hawaii appeared today before the Senate Committee on Pacific Islands, of which Senator Foraker is chairman. He dwelt at length on the land laws of the Territory and other matters of public administration.

#### WHITE STATUE

LOS ANGELES, Calif., Dec. 11.—The statue erected in this city in memory of the late United States Senator Stephen White was unveiled today with great ceremony.

#### DREDGING CONTRACT GOES TO LOCAL FIRM

The contract for dredging Pearl Harbor has been awarded to the Hawaiian Dredging Company. A cablegram, conveying the information, was received from Washington this morning at the offices of the company. The officers of the company expect that mail advices will follow, giving all particulars. The bid put in by the Hawaiian Dredging Company was \$3,560,000 for the job. This bid was considerably lower than any other put in and was only a little more than half the figure of the highest bid. The Pearl Harbor dredging contract is the largest individual contract ever let for the Territory. Something in excess of 5,000,000 cubic yards of earth and rock must be removed in preparing the ship channel for the Pearl Harbor Naval Station.

A blaze in a kitchen in the back of one of the tenements on Mauna Kea street called out the fire department this afternoon at about 2 o'clock, but the fire had been extinguished before the engines arrived. The damage was minimal.

#### APPOINTMENT OF JUDGES EXPIRE

Acting Governor Mott-Smith has called to Governor Frear calling his attention to the fact that the commissions of three Circuit Judges expire tomorrow. It is probable that the Governor will, if he has not already done so, make his recommendations in the matter of reappointment or new appointments today.

#### ANOTHER ELECTION CONTEST TOMORROW

Another election contest will be heard on demurrer before the Supreme Court tomorrow morning at 10 o'clock. This is the case of Chas. Blake vs. G. E. H. Baker, Auditor-elect of the County of Kauai. In this case the Democrats are contesting, while the Republicans are fighting the contest.



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